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| (54) Title: DETERGENT COMPOSITION FOR HARD SURFACES COMPRISING HYDROPHILIC SHEAR-THINNING POLYMER AT VERY LOW LEVEL   |  |   |  |
| (57) Abstract   |  |   |  |
| <p>A detergent composition and/or solution for floors comprising a hydrophilic shear-thinning polymer at very low level for improved cleaning end result. The solution can be used with conventional implements known in the art, including sponges, cloths and/or sponge, string, and/or strip mops and floor cloths such as those sold at retail and speciality stores. In a most preferred embodiment, the solution is used with a cleaning pad comprising an effective amount of a superabsorbent material, said pad preferably being part of cleaning implement comprising a handle and said cleaning pad preferably being removable. The detergent composition preferably contains a limited amount of a detergent surfactant, preferably linear in structure and relatively hydrophilic, the level of solvent in the formula preferably being kept below about 5.0 %, and the pH preferably being maintained above about 9. The process of using the detergent solution with cleaning implements, including those of the most preferred embodiment, cleaning pad, and the provision of a kit containing both detergent composition and cleaning pad are disclosed.</p> |  |   |  |

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